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**The Church of God  
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CLEVELAND, TENN.

GOD'S LOVE

Do Not Judge Too Hard

Pray don't find fault with the man who limps,  
Or stumbles along the road,  
Unless you have worn the shoes he wears  
Or struggles beneath his load.  
There may be tacks in his shoes that hurt,  
Though hidden away from view,  
Or the burden he bears placed on your back,  
Might cause you to stumble too.  
Don't sneer at the man who's down today,  
Unless you have felt the blow  
That caused his fall, or felt the same  
That only the fallen know.  
You may be strong, but still the blows  
That were his, if dealt to you  
In that self-same way at the self-same time  
Might cause you to stagger too.  
Don't be harsh with the man who sins,  
Or pelt him with words or stones,  
Unless you are sure, yea, doubly sure,  
That you have no sins of your own;  
For you know, perhaps, if the tempter's voice  
Should whisper as soft to you,  
As it did to him when he went astray,  
'Twould cause you to falter too.—Sel.

THE GROUND OF

"Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again."—Matt. 7:1-2.

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MATT. 28:19.



MARK 16:15

THE  
PILLAR

THE  
TRUTH

EPH. 2:20

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March 8, 1941

# NOTICES

From the Field

## A Bit of News—Greetings to You Georgians

Already in five district conventions you have raised for missions \$491.74, sent to Headquarters, which is \$6.38 more than all the mission money sent to Headquarters from the district conventions for the nineteen districts of last year. Since an equal amount from the district convention goes to your state, we would be delighted if you would raise \$1,000, \$2,000 for your state this year.

May the dear Lord bless you good.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

The Church of God at Half Acre, located near Myrtlewood, Ala., is now over the top with its aged ministers' fund.—Mrs. L. A. Oliver, secretary.

To whom it may concern: This is to notify all Sunday Schools on the Fresno, Calif., district that Sister M. Stockel is your district superintendent, also your Willing Workers president. Please co-operate with her. We are very glad to have Sister Stockel to take this district. She is a precious saint of God and a good worker in any part of God's work. I feel God has given us Sister Stockel for this work. She will be a blessing to your district. We pray God's richest blessings upon her work on this district, also Y. P. E.'s on the Fresno district. Brother Vernon Sechler is your Y. P. E. district president. Brother Sechler has a mind to work and I am sure he will prove a great blessing to our Y. P. E.'s on this district. God is blessing the Church of God in California.—Lula V. Milam, state Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent and state Willing Workers president.

Please send back-date Evangelists and Lighted Pathways to us as this is a new field for the Church and they will be a great help in opening up work here.—Rev. J. B. Holcomb, Box 67, Fries, Va.

### DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

Selman City, Tex., district convention, March 21-23, at Selman City. C. F. Meador, district pastor.  
Carrollton, Ga., district Y. P. E. and S. S. convention, March 15-16, at Rockmart Church of God. W. W. Ball, district pastor.

A God who is small enough to be explained and comprehended by the human mind need not make a world or a heaven, but could dwell in the head.

## Requests For Prayer

Editor's Note: *Notices of requests for prayer intended for publication on this page should be for healing. Requests will be accepted for those making them for themselves or for their family connection. It is better to make your request specific rather than to include several in one. The Evangelist desires to be of the most good to the most people and desires that every inch of its space be used advantageously.*

### PRAY FOR—

Very serious unspoken request. Please pray hard and fast if led. — A mother, Statesboro, Ga.

Dave Bechtell's mind to be healed, he is in the insane asylum.—N. Roberts, 1707 Franklin Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Very urgent request for my daughter that she will be healed of dropsy of the bowels and saved.—Sister Evie Goodman, Rt. 1, Troy, Tenn.

My daughter to be healed of neuralgia and a serious headache which has almost left her blind.—Mrs. Drucy Daves, Rt. 1, Hornbeak, Tenn.

**Evangel gains 498 subscriptions in February. Somebody has been working. Let us keep the good work going. Make the increase 1,000 for March.**

Special unspoken request. — A sister, Chattanooga, Tenn.

The healing of my leg, I can hardly walk on it, I believe the bone is broken; my girl to be healed of head trouble.—Charlie Ramsey, Rt. 1, Buffalo Valley, Tenn.

The complete healing of my body, I have severe pains but I do not have cancer or anything like that. I have given up everything in life to be a true Christian and I get so discouraged.—Mrs. Josie Spitt, Algona, Wash.

The healing of my body of the flu; the healing of my husband of a bad throat trouble.—Mrs. L. F. Johnson, 38 Hubbard St., Greensboro, N. C.

Me to be healed of head and nerve trouble, also other ailments. — Mrs. Gladys Chase, Dudley, Mo.

Unspoken request.—L. J. Stone, Enoree, S. C.

Mrs. Lillian Linze, Fort Smith, Ark., who requests prayer that God will send them a glorious revival.—J. H. Walker.

The healing of my body; my two daughters. — Mrs. Martha Banks, 1100 Hobson St., Harrisburg, Ill.

Me to be healed of severe stomach trouble; the healing of my son-in-law who is very low.—Maggie Sweat, Conway, S. C.

The healing of my head; two unspoken requests; a friend. — Mamie McGuire, Emyre Sta., Gastonia, N. C.

The healing of my body of an incurable disease.—Martha Ritchie, Anco, Ky.

The healing of my husband; me.—Mrs. W. F. Mann, Raleigh, N. C.

The healing of my nerves, I have been suffering with them for about seven months; the complete healing of my body of the flu.—Mrs. Martha Crawford, 53 Blanch Ave., Rome, Ga.

God to heal me of acute indigestion and give me salvation.—Charles Bishop, Rt. 3, Summerville, Ga.

The healing of my body, I am afraid I have cancers, also other ailments; unspoken request.—A friend, Lansing, Mich.

The healing of my body and strength to live holy. I have had some hard trials, so pray earnestly for me.—Mrs. W. W. Pyron, Marvell, Ark.

My sister-in-law to be healed of dropsy. She is in a bad condition. Her address is Mrs. Clark Randolph, Rt. 1, Townley, Ala.—Lois Wright, Jasper, Ala.

Me to be healed of kidney trouble and swelling.—George Barker, Schoolfield, Va.

My little girl to be healed, she is very sick and I fear she has pneumonia; my home.—Mrs. Carrie Coleman, Rt. 1, McRae, Ga.

My husband's body to be healed; me to be healed of liver and kidney trouble, nervousness of long standing, and my sides.—Mrs. P. E. Holcomb, Whitesburg, Ky.

My mother ninety-six years old to be saved and healed; several of us to receive the Baptism.—Harvey Morrison, Rockwood, Pa.

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# The Church Sealed

BY JOSEPH TERLIZZI

Text: Eph. 1:13, 14; 4:30.

The Church is made up of individuals; it is not composed of brick and stone and mortar, or boards and nails and plaster; it is composed of living men and women who were once dead in sin but have been made alive in Christ. We are therefore members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones; fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God.

Putting one's name on a church card does not make him a member of the true Church of God. One might become a member of the most influential church in America, and give thousands of dollars annually for religious and benevolent purposes, but unless he has been *born again* he is lost and doomed for hell. John 3:1-7. Someone has well said, "Going to church does not make you a Christian, any more than taking your automobile to a livery stable makes it a horse."

The Christian experience of the *new birth* is not belief in a religious creed nor a theory about God and heaven, nor religious activity, but a new heart, a new spirit, a new creature in Christ Jesus (2 Cor. 5:17). That's the need of every individual—life, divine life, eternal life, freely offered through our Lord and received through faith (John 3:16; 1 John 5:10-12), not a form of godliness; not a spasm of religion, up today and down tomorrow, but God's resurrection power quickening us to walk in newness of life.

When a man is born of God, he receives the witness of the Spirit (Rom. 8:16; 1 John 5:10), peace with God (Rom. 5:1), and the joy of salvation (Luke 10:19). These are some of the inner evidences to the soul, but manifested outwardly by overcoming the world (1 John 5:4), not practicing sin (1 John 3:9), self-denial (Matt. 16:26), and by a joyful, radiant countenance.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is also a tangible experience promised to all believers. However, the Holy Ghost will not come into an unsanctified temple. The heart must be cleansed, the life must be consecrated before the Holy Spirit comes into the believer to abide. Peter said, "Repent\*\*\* and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out." "And be baptized (in water, thus showing to the world the separation from the old life; the burial of the past, and the birth of the new)\*\*\*, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." And later, referring to the Gentiles' receiving the Spirit, Peter said, "Giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us;\*\*\* purifying their hearts by faith." Acts 2:38, 39; 15:8-10. To His

saved (John 1:12) and sanctified (John 15:3) followers, Jesus said, "For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost\*\*\*. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:5-8. And Paul said to the Ephesians, "After that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." Acts 1:2; Eph. 1:13.

When the believer receives the promise of the Father, he receives the personality of the Holy Spirit, and the power of the Spirit is resident in him. John 14:17. For the Spirit is the power that He may use us (Acts 3:6; 4:33): power for service (Eph. 3:20; Acts 1:8), power to heal the



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sick and perform miracles (Mark 16:15-20; Acts 3:6-8), power to live a life opposite to that of self (Col. 1:11), power to suffer for Jesus' sake (2 Cor. 12:9, 10), power to keep from sin (1 Peter 1:5), power to give till it hurts (2 Cor. 8:2, 3), power to pray like Jesus (Eph. 3:20). Three things will release this power. First, is faith in the Word; second, is obedience to the Word, and third, is prayer according to the Word. Mark 16:16; Luke 5:5; John 14:12-14; 1 John 5:14; Rom. 8:26, 27.

The baptism of the Spirit IS also the earnest of our inheritance, a pledge, a guarantee, a receipt, a deposit of something yet to come, a foretaste of future blessings received at the return of Jesus. In Eph. 1:13, 14 we read, "After that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, which IS the EARN-EST of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession . . ." We

are therefore "heirs of God" and "joint-heirs with Christ." That which belongs to God belongs to us, since we are God's children, partakers of the divine nature; and that which belongs to Christ belongs equally to us, since we are joint-heirs with Him. Glory to God, we are more than multi-millionaires, kings and priests unto our God, and we shall rule and reign with Christ on the earth some day. Rom. 8:17; Rev. 5:10.

Last, but not least, the baptism in the Holy Ghost is God's seal upon the believer unto the day of redemption. The Greek word rendered "sealed" in Eph. 1:13, 14; 4:30, is from "sphragizo" which is from "Sphragis" and which means "to fence in, in order to prevent misappropriation." The latter word means "signature" or "stamp," used for the purpose of setting forth the genuineness of a document.

In the New Testament the word "sealed" has several meanings, by each of which the saints are represented as having been sealed by the Holy Spirit. In Matt. 27:66 the believer is sealed for security, in John 3:33 the believer is sealed for confirmation or attestation, and sealed for ownership, as masters were accustomed to do upon their slaves, and as owners of cattle do when they brand their cattle. In this sense the word is used in Revelation, the 7th chapter, where we read of the sealing of the 144,000 of the twelve tribes of Israel, 12,000 of each tribe.

Each of these distinctive meanings reveal the fact that the saints have been sealed by the Holy Ghost, is apparent. We have been sealed for security, and so are secure as long as the seal remains unbroken. Acts 1:25; Rev. 3:5. We have been sealed for ownership, and so are no longer our own; we belong to God; He is our owner. We have been sealed for confirmation or attestation. God has confirmed the fact that He has accepted us as wholly His, and has attested our acceptance on His part and reception into His divine family, the Church.

The baptism of the Holy Ghost was accompanied and certified by the sign of speaking with other tongues. Jesus said the Holy Spirit would speak when He came to abide within the believer. John 16:13. The disciples who came with Peter knew that on the Gentiles was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost, because they heard them speak with tongues. Acts 10:44-46. Twenty-three years after Pentecost, when the Ephesian brethren received the Baptism, they spake with tongues. Acts 19:1-6. This should be conclusive evidence that speaking with tongues is the initial, physical sign of the full Pentecostal Baptism. However, it is by no means the most important result. The burning zeal of Pentecost, the white

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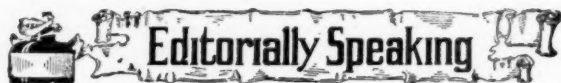
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### Pushes the Church Paper

WE recently received a letter from Bauxite, Arkansas, with a clipping which came from the Benton Courier, Saline County paper, "News Items from Saline." At the close of the items the correspondent has inserted: "The Church of God Evangel of Cleveland, Tennessee, seems to be more interesting every week, and it is appreciative to us who read it; especially 'Leaves from the Fig Tree,' an interpretation of current events in the light of holy prophecy. This publication should be widely circulated. The largest church of this kind in Arkansas is located at Marked Tree.—F. E. Burroughs."

We understand that this gentleman is not a member of the Church of God but that he is interested in the promotion of the work that the Church is doing. Whether in or out of the organization, it is this kind of men who are aggressively promoting the work of the Lord and are ready to speak a word for it wherever they go, both by word of mouth and by pen, that really make the thing go for God.

The Evangel contest has created quite a bit of enthusiasm among the ministers in the various states. Striving to excel, striving to put the message that the Evangel carries into new fields, proving that they believe the Church of God to be a messenger of light, to take the gospel to the world, they are doing everything in their power to establish its standard in new places. This is the spirit that will overcome and that will win in the end. This is one contest in which no one that participates can lose. If the reward offered to the state getting the largest number of subscriptions is not won, all of those who participated in the drive may rest assured that they did accomplish a great feat in placing the message of salvation and the message of the Church of God in new homes and for this not only a literal reward but a spiritual reward which is eternal can be expected.

### A Spiritual Flat

IN these days the world is in a mad rush and everything is moving with lightning rapidity.

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It is extremely necessary that the gospel of the Son of God be also borne to needy souls everywhere. There are, however, certain qualifications with which the bearer must be endowed in order to be able to successfully carry this wonderful message of salvation. Jesus said, Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." The perusal of the Greek Testament shows that the word "ghost" comes from the Greek word "pneuma" which, being personified, is "Pneumaticus." The word literally means "breath, breeze, or a blast." It is this word that has given to the pneumatic tires, upon which much of the commerce of the world, war machines and pleasure cars are borne, its name—tires filled with breeze or a blast, tires filled with air. But that which gives the special distinction is the word preceding "pneuma" which is "holy" so that it could be said, literally, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Breeze or a Holy Blast has come upon you." The majority of the places referring to the Holy Ghost speak of Him as an infilling, thus people are filled with the "Pneuma" and it is necessary that they should be so filled in order to be witnesses.

Preachers are to bear the message of the Son of God, a commission given by Jesus to His apostles. If the pneumatic tires to the vehicles which traverse the threads of commerce today lose their infilling, their air, it means that the vehicle must stop because they have a flat and speed cannot be made on flats, something will go wrong. The same thing is true in a spiritual sense. The man who undertakes to carry the gospel of the Son of God without being filled with the Holy Ghost will find himself to be a spiritual flat. He may be builded and prepared with rigidity, from a standpoint of culture and of education. Such cords may be running both ways to strengthen his ability from a natural and literal standpoint, but after all has been done to prepare man in this way, in order for him to be a fit subject to carry the message which God has chosen to give to the world, he must be filled with the Holy Spirit, otherwise such a messenger will be a spiritual flat and will have to fall out of the line of duty or be a failure and in the way of others.

### Crossing the Bar

This office has just been informed of the passing away of Rev. T. L. McLain at ten minutes after four this morning (February 27).

Brother McLain was born in Sumack, Georgia, in 1874. He was converted Sept. 8, 1908 and in that same year became a member of the Church of God. Brother McLain was ordained bishop



REV. THOS. L. McLAIN

January 13, 1911.

He was married in Cleveland July 26, 1896 to Miss Alora Lee, a sister of Rev. F. J. Lee who in later years became General Overseer of the Church of God. Brother McLain was for many years officially connected with the Church of God Headquarters, serving on various general committees and as overseer of several different states. His life has been a great inspiration to many and it has been said by many that when they wanted someone to pray for them who could pray the prayer of faith, they had just as soon have Tom McLain as any one.

Your Editor first met Brother McLain in 1912 when he was (Continued on page 13)

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

# Satan's Devices

BY JAMES B. REESOR

It is a well known fact that no human being has ever become great without first of all encountering and overcoming great difficulties. We may look back through both political and ecclesiastical history, studying the lives of men from every walk of life, and we will find ample evidence to prove our statement. We are made to marvel when we think of difficulties encountered and overcome by men who became great, in years gone by, and yet sometimes perhaps we are tempted to feel that our hardships are too great to bear. May the Lord have mercy on us when we begin to sympathize with ourselves. God wants us to become great for Him, therefore He allows difficulties, temptations, and tests to come into our lives.

SOME FOLKS ARE TEMPTED to question God as to His Wisdom in allowing the powers of evil to so permeate the world, tempting humanity to forsake righteousness and follow after the lusts of the flesh, but God in His supreme intelligence saw that we would never become strong or great unless we were willing to overcome, so He gave liberty to the archfiend of hell and myriads of evil spirits, that we might be tempted and tried. We, as the children of God, should praise God for the opportunity He has given us to become overcomers. Some say that they would be Christians if it wasn't for temptations; but, if heaven is worth while it is worth while at any cost, and the Lord has promised that He will not allow us to be tempted above that we are able, but will with the temptation also make a way of escape. When the complete restoration is made and the great plan of redemption finished, there will be no one in heaven who has not been tempted by evil and yet refused to be overcome by it. Heaven will be inhabited by overcomers. Through Christ alone is it possible for us to overcome.

Paul, in writing to the Corinthians, said, in 1 Cor. 2:11, "Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant CONCERNING HIS DEVICES." We know that Satan is continually trying to get the advantage of us, and his devices (schemes) are so numerous that it is impossible for us to live in the flesh and be overcomers, therefore we are admonished to live in the Spirit. If we live in the Spirit we will not fulfill the lusts of the flesh (Gal. 5:16). Since we understand Satan's devices to some extent, surely we will be responsible if we yield to unrighteous temptations. The devil doesn't usually appear as an odious creature but as an angel of light, and he has

had more experience tempting people than we have had resisting him, so he knows where our weak points are and will try to get us there. In James 4:7 we are commanded to resist the devil. We can only do that by drawing near to God.

THE MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL is not the personification of perfection as some would suppose, ready to sprout wings, but is just as weak, in himself, as his next door neighbor. Since our responsibility is so much greater than that of many others, it surely behooves us to be determined to do the right thing, and to



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lean upon Christ that our determination would be fulfilled. It is certainly a deplorable situation when a minister, who is expected to be an example, is overcome to such an extent by Satan, that he will bring a reproach upon his Lord, his Church and his family, and yet such has often been the case when a servant of God failed to walk in the Spirit. It is certainly true that when a man thinketh he stands, that he should take heed lest he fall. Let us fear lest we too be overcome by Satan and follow after one of his wicked devices.

SATAN HAS SO MANY DEVICES that it would be impossible for us to expose all of them in this brief message, but we will briefly mention several outstanding ones. We, as ministers, need to remember that while we are preaching to others, the Word of God is for us also.

It is not only possible, but also probable, that there are times when a minister may preach a gospel that he isn't willing to live up to himself. For instance, we like to have a liberal congregation,

one that pays tithes regularly and gives freely in offerings; but listen, brother ministers, when we send in our monthly report, let us not chisel on our food donations or add too much expense on our expense account. We may consider our automobile payments expense, but Paul would have considered an automobile a luxury. God requires that we ministers make a greater sacrifice than the laity, that we may set the proper example.

THEN, TOO, THERE IS THAT TERRIBLE SIN of evil speaking, sometimes manifested amongst those who profess to be children of God. Charity thinketh no evil. We are warned many times against the sin of evil speaking. We cannot tell our congregations to refrain from that evil unless we do so ourselves. It is just another one of Satan's devices to sow discord among brethren, to create disturbance. We are aware of it, let us denounce it and refrain from it ourselves.

FOR THE LAST DEVICE, and perhaps one of the most dangerous and most damnable, we would discuss the device of free love. It is certainly sad when a professed minister of the gospel, or any other professing Christian, will lay aside his robes of righteousness, entertaining vile thoughts, and carrying on a flirtation with one of the opposite sex. When a minister will allow Satan to sidetrack him to such an extent that he will forsake his wife and make love to a little frizzle-topped, light-headed, glib-tongued flapper, he isn't the kind of a man that God wants in the ministry. Young men may fall and rise again, by the grace of God, but those who carry on in such a way, should certainly be separated from Christian people. 1 Cor. 5:11. Paul said, "I keep my body in subjection." God will give us ministers of the great Church of God strength to do likewise, so may we, by HIS GRACE, march onward, side by side, looking to Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith, watching and praying always that we may be accounted worthy to escape those things that shall come to pass and to stand before the Son of man, and hear HIM say, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joys of thy Lord." Amen, come quickly, Lord Jesus.

## ENJOYS THE EVANGEL

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Thanks to everyone who sent us an anointed cloth for our little boy's eyes. They are lots better; he doesn't have the headache like he did. We praise the Lord for being so good to us and healing our children and us so many times. We surely enjoy reading the Evangel. We do not get to go to church very much, but we can get good blessings at home reading and praying.— Mrs. L. C. Boatner, Rt. 4.

# NOTES From My LETTERS

\*\*\*\*\* J. H. WALKER, General Overseer \*\*\*\*\*

## Good Letter

Here is a good letter; I hope it will stir all the district overseers to write their respective state overseers just such letters as this:

Lindale, Georgia  
February 4, 1941

Dear Brother Beabe:

Greetings in the name of Jesus.

I'm confident that the work of the state is progressing under your competent leadership.

We are all very happy here on the Rome district, because of the splendid work being accomplished since the General Assembly. The enclosed check for \$691.68 is one dollar per member for missions.

At our monthly ministers' meeting held in the Rome church on February 3, all our pastors reported they were "over the top" with the Church's program.

Credit is due to all the pastors for their faithful cooperation and loyalty of their respective congregations.

We have broken all precedents in that the Rome district had never gone "over the top" before this year. To Jesus be all the glory.

Every district should put the Church's program OVER in Georgia, as we remember this is OUR program as worked out at the state ministers' meeting in Macon. With the Apostle Paul we can say, "We can do all things through Christ."

Trusting all is well with you and yours, and may God's continued blessings be upon you, I am

Yours in His service,

H. T. Durden, Dist. Overseer.

I know that the overseers will receive this year, by far the greatest number of such letters as will state "over the top with missions, aged ministers, orphanage—in fact, 100 per cent on everything."

## Encouraging News From Maine

*State Parsonage Purchased in Portland*

"I closed a deal not many days ago for a nice state parsonage in Portland, and we will be moving in a few days. The property is appraised at approximately \$4,000.00. We did not have to pay anything down on it, and are paying \$28.00 a month. You may remember the place. It is where Brother Koshewitz lived on North Street. There are three flats, all modern. The first floor and second floor have five rooms and bath each, and the third apartment has four rooms and bath. Sister Alley, a member here, turned it

over to the state, and we give her the right to the third apartment as long as she lives. She is seventy-eight years of age. I believe that we have some property that is worth while. The location is splendid, and you must come to see us in the near future.

"We are trying hard to build up the work here and the Lord is helping us, but we need your prayers.

"May God bless you in your work and give you health to carry on for the cause we all love so well.

"I remain yours in Him, J. Stewart Brinsfield."

Always remember that we are praying for you in the New England territory.

## Telegram

"Dear Brother Walker: In great revival conducted by Evangelist Thea F. Jones. Fifty saved the first week. Thirty-two sanctified. Fourteen received the Holy Ghost. Revival going in a wonderful way. Pray for us.—A. V. Childers, Belmont, North Carolina."

## Illinois News

*Good Revival and EVANGEL Subscriptions*

"Brother W. R. Anderson, the pastor at Lawrenceville, states that they were in the midst of a good revival with Sister Nona Dame, of Sesser, Illinois, doing the preaching, fourteen saved, six sanctified, and six filled with the Holy Ghost the first week. Nine were saved in the Sunday School Sunday morning. He also states they are getting good material for the Church.

"Since the ministers' meeting in November, we have sent in 261 subscriptions for the *Evangel* and have a goodly number yet that are to be sent in in the next thirty days.

"We are looking forward to the time when you are to be with us in the state convention.

"Pray for us in Illinois, that God will help us in our work for Him.—H. O. Harris, state overseer of Illinois."

## Good News From Revival at Rome, Ga.

About thirty or more are in the altar each night. Ten have already received the Holy Ghost during the first week of the meeting. Brother Joseph Terlizzi is doing the preaching. May God bless and may many other souls be won to Christ through the efforts of the people there.

## Wonderful Outpouring On District Convention

"Dear Brother Walker, we have just closed the district convention on the Edinburg district. Never saw anything like it. The Holy Ghost had full control from the first service. On Sunday at eleven o'clock, just before the last sermon, the power fell. There was a message in tongues, and by the time the interpretation was finished, there were about thirty in the altar, crying and praying. There were five saved, three sanctified, and three filled with the Holy Ghost, after which a nice mission offering was contributed. Five received the Holy Ghost during this convention.—T. W. Godwin, state overseer of Texas."

May God continue to let the fire fall even during the busy meetings of the district conventions.

## Another New Church

"We have another new church in Michigan, just organized February 8 at East Flint. This makes three now in Flint. These people have a church building and are having services. The church is located on Maple and Minnesota, in the east side of town."

Thank you, Brother Kerce. Keep the good work going.

## Good News From Pastor A. R. Willingham

*Route 1, Bauxite, Arkansas*

"When I came here in November, there were only three *Evangel*s coming to the church. Now we have twelve and more to send in. We are over the top with our aged ministers' quota and are pushing our missions to the front. Pray for our little church at new Summit."

May God bless you, Brother Willingham, in your work there.

## Special News

Brother Boehmer, the General Secretary, informs me that since the Assembly we have already set in order thirty-four new churches, and he says that they are good ones, too! This is by far the greatest number set in order during the winter time of any record before. What can you expect when spring and summer come and the revival season opens properly? Let us all keep working while God is working, that His name may be glorified.

## Good News From Brother Coker

*Varnesboro, Pennsylvania*

"Just a word to say we are moving on for God in Pennsylvania. We have just  
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# Foreign Missions



ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

## Down Mexico Way With the Archers

BY J. W. ARCHER

(Continued from last week)

We would like to take time and space to tell you of the mingling of the ancient and the modern in this first large Mexican city on our trip, but we must travel on. Suffice to say that Monterey was established in 1596 and mingles in confusing familiarity, ancient buildings, narrow cobbled streets, donkey carriers, rickety carts, barefoot peons and age-old customs, with honking, rushing autos, modern hotels and stores, whirling industries and the latest in dress and social life.

Daylight found us speeding southward on splendid road, for we hoped to make Tamazunchale, 411 miles away, before dark. We discovered almost at once that we now left modernity behind, for the villages are quaint and ancient, and the customs practically unchanged for centuries. Burrows and barefoot men and women and round-faced, big-eyed children were seen in increasing frequency along the road, all carrying their inevitable load to or from market, or to and from somewhere (one wonders where and why). They seemed surprised and delighted that we always waved, and most of them replied with broad grins. The road led through rich valleys of orange groves and other fruits and the mountains ever threatened to press us in and force us to go over them; but always there was a way through, so that the highway is far less uneven and crooked than our Tennessee highways. All day we passed through cities, pueblas and Indian villages untouched, so far as we can learn, with our Gospel message. Surely this is the great neglected land of missionary endeavor.

In the afternoon we bounced across the line between Temperate and Tropical Zone and by evening the scenery had changed from semi-desert to dense tropical growth of large trees, banana groves, numerous flowers and heavy undergrowth. Just before reaching Tamazunchale, as the sun was setting, we stopped the car and listened to the numerous wild parrots calling to one another in the dense tropical trees. Orchids can here be seen growing in large numbers in trees.

The orchid plant is a parasite growing in the crotch of the trees and resembling the lily plant in appearance. Some trees have as many as thirty to fifty plants.

Tamazunchale is a typical Mexican village with its centuries-old buildings and customs, located on a river at the very base of the long winding mountain climb to the high plateau above, on which Mexico City is located. Up until a few years ago when the highway was built through, these people had never seen a car. The Indians of this section are still very much unconquered and unchanged



Mrs. J. W. Archer

from heathenism, though the Catholics have worked among them for centuries. We enjoyed, after supper, a visit down a narrow side street, where we sat and chatted with storekeepers, who live in their establishments.

Everyone warned us to not start out in the morning before nine o'clock as the fogs (really clouds in the high mountains) would make driving impossible. But after prayer, we felt led to press on, so at 5 a. m. we set sail again, against the protest of truck drivers and natives, and thanks be to our precious Lord, who guides the steps of the righteous, we were under clouds and far above them; often their cold fingers crept up the canyons to the very edge of the road, and often closed

across the highway below us, but not once was our vision obscured! This long mountain climb of a thousand curves is one of the most impressive scenes it has been our privilege to view, and the highway is one of the best. We have crossed most of the mountain passes of the North American Continent, but never on better roads or grander scenery. Often one may look for thousands of feet, almost straight down, into yawning canyons, threaded at the bottom by silvery mountain streams. At other points one may gaze for scores of miles across an ocean of clouds below, to distant mountain peaks, rising out of the clouds, for all the world like islands thrusting skyward out of the sea.

In America, when one drives over a mountain pass, it is customary to go down on the other side. But in Mexico things are not done according to our customs. The policeman turns his face or back rather than his side when he wants traffic to proceed. Most keys fit the locks upside down. You pay your fine when you break the traffic rule—and argue afterwards. The servants live on the roofs instead of in the basement, etc. Hence, after leveling off for a mile or two, we would expect to start down, but instead we would start up another long mountain grade, till at last we leveled off on a great mountain plateau, dotted with other mountains of still greater height. It is semi-arid, except where irrigated, and the air is very thin and dry. Though we have now lived at this altitude for over a month, we still find ourselves having to pause ever now and then for a few extra deep breaths to make up for the lack of oxygen in the thin air.

Being raised in the West and worked much throughout the Central States, we were surprised at the industry of the corn raisers of West Virginia, who trail up to the most inaccessible spots on the mountainsides to plant a small patch of corn. But what do you Mid-west farmers, with your hundreds of level acres of corn, and you West Virginians, with your ambitious little patches, think of the Indians of Mexico? For, though we climbed to above ten thousand feet elevation and rounded a thousand steep mountain curves, we never left the Indian corn

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# LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

*An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy*

*"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," Matt. 24:32.*

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

"Lima, Peru, February 22.—A long earth tremor shook Lima shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon, sending panicky inhabitants into the open. No damage was reported."

"San Diego Calif., Feb. 23.—A mild earthquake was felt here today at 10:36 a. m., Fred Robinson, San Diego seismologist, reported. Police observed no damage. Center of the quake was placed northeast of here." These two quakes, mild in form, are yet more warnings from the lips of a merciful God.

German troops have entered Spain, ostensibly to alleviate suffering caused by the hurricane suffered by that unfortunate country. Bulgaria has also been occupied. German troops move freely in Italy. Well over a dozen countries are today occupied by Hitler's minions. It was not believed that Spain would openly enter the war on the side of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Axis. Surprising things are happening these days. The headlines of today will be stale tomorrow. In the meantime Hitler and Mussolini keep saying that the United States has nothing to fear from them. This week Vice-President Wallace delivered an address wherein he pointed out the dangers to the world should Hitler and Mussolini win the present conflict. Slowly but surely the public mind of America is being moulded in favor of our entry into the conflict. The recent statement of Jesse Jones, who never talks through his hat, is significant evidence of the inner feelings of the administration at Washington. He said, "We are in the war, or, we are about to be in the war, or, we are getting ready to get in the war and at a time like this money must be thrown away." The President later denied the story, but Jones is highly regarded as a man of sterling integrity. The future? Look to your Bibles.

Ray Tucker, Washington Columnist, recently made some very significant statements in his daily column "The Washington Whirligig." I quote: "Philip Murray's program of greater participation by labor in the management of industry has a long-range viewpoint which is not generally understood even by some of his

associates. In proposing the establishment of Industrial Councils, he is looking ahead to possible American entry into the war and to a radically changed post-war era. The shrewd labor leader realizes that WAR WILL PLACE BOTH CAPITAL AND LABOR UNDER THE MOST ABSOLUTE DOMINATION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. UNCLE SAM WILL RUN THE PLANT, FIX WAGES, REGULATE PROFITS, BAR STRIKES, BE THE BIG BOSS. HE KNOWS, TOO, THAT THESE CONTROLS PROBABLY WILL BE PRESERVED AFTER THE PEACE, especially if the war lasts a long time. Recognizing these threats to the working man, he now seeks an alliance with the employing group. He figures that in such a union there will be more strength for fighting an attempt to MAKE PERMANENT THE GOVERNMENT'S RULE OVER INDUSTRY. These ideas in the mind of Philip Murray, a long time able and fair leader of labor, should cause every thinking man to be able to see the handwriting of absolute dictatorship on the wall. Let it be remembered that in the past America has vigorously prosecuted wars and dictatorship has never before been desired by those in authority. However, today, THE SPIRIT OF ANTICHRIST MARCHES ON!

An announcement comes from Kansas City, Missouri, that Bishop Edwin O'Hara hails the advent of a new Catholic Bible. Of the revision of Bibles there seems to be no end. It is claimed that this new Bible will be more readable, more up to date, more in keeping with the times. Yes, that is part and parcel of the plan of the minions of hell to streamline religion to keep pace with the modern thought. However, we need to remember that the Redeemer and Author of our salvation is declared to be "JESUS CHRIST, THE SAME YESTERDAY, TODAY AND FOREVER." Not a new Bible but a study of God's Word, is what we need.

"Berlin, February 19.—A wave of anti-Semitism following close behind the victorious German armies has swept over the countries of Europe. It struck with

the greatest violence against Poland, which before the start of the war, with a Jewish population of 3,000,000, had the largest population of Jews of any country in Europe. Poland today is a closed country barred to neutral correspondents. The Jews are known to be herded together in ghettos. The largest ghetto is in Warsaw, where, according to German estimates, there are 1,000,000 Jews, who dare not associate with non-Jews either commercially or otherwise. They must buy and sell among themselves." The natural sympathy of mankind goes to the underdog in any fight. However, the Jew is not destined to always be the underdog. The writer read an article the other day wherein it was stated that the heads of the foreign affairs, finance and propaganda in the United States, are all Jews, referring to Sol Bloom, Henry Morgenthau and Mr. Ochs. The article mentioned another Jew who is close to the President, one Ben Cohen. This is an obvious attempt to stir up race hatred and prejudice in this country. There are many organizations functioning today whose sole motive and mission is to so persecute and harass the Jews that they will be compelled to leave America also. The writer wants no part of that, remembering that the seed of Abraham, through Jacob, are as "The Apple of God's Eye." The time of Jacob's trouble is rapidly approaching.

The debate on the so-called lend-lease bill goes merrily on in the Senate but the bill will probably become law by the time this is in print. Opponents of the bill are screaming that it is a war measure and that our ships and dollars which are sent to Britain must be followed by our boys. There is an attempt to amend the bill whereby the President will be denied authority to send troops away from this continent. The best informed minds, however, seem to think the President and his followers will bitterly protest any such limitation of powers. The President has sufficient followers in Congress to get what he wants. The proponents of the bill argue that the passage of the bill will merely enable Britain to fight more effi-

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# THE Trumpeter

## BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

### Sevierville, Tennessee

#### Elocution

Elocution is one of the most interesting and necessary subjects a person can take. As speech is man's chief instrument of communication, much care should be taken to learn how good or how poor one's speech really is, to learn how it can be improved, and to start that improvement. That is the purpose of Elocution—to realize one's faults in speech and to correct them.

There are six main objectives in the study of Elocution. The first objective is "Overcoming Undesirable Mannerisms." A person who is speaking seldom realizes the mannerisms which he makes which annoy those to whom he is speaking. Some of these are: toying with a button on his coat, chewing the end of a pencil, and shifting his weight from one foot to the other. A great effort should be made to eradicate these mannerisms which are caused from nervousness.

The second objective is "Clear Thinking." Everyone should know how to select and arrange ideas so that he may be presented more effectively before an audience. He should be able to think and express his own ideas instead of borrowing ideas from someone else.

The third objective is "Effective Interpretation." "To discover and communicate the meaning of a passage of literature is a high art." It is easy to be able to understand something you read but to interpret it in a way to make someone else understand it is more difficult. To do this, one should know something of the author's life, his age, and his motive for writing the selection.

The fourth objective is "Dramatic Appreciation." Drama is the oldest of all arts. Everyone should have some knowledge of drama, because through actions much finer shades of meaning can be portrayed than through speaking.

The fifth objective is a knowledge of correct "Social Conduct" in speech situations. Everyone is called upon at some

time in his life to make a speech; therefore, he should be able to make one appropriate to the occasion, whatever it may be.

The sixth objective—the most important and the one to which all others aim—is the attainment of self-confidence in public and private situations. It is much easier to have self-confidence and poise when in private than when in public. Therefore more personal benefit will possibly be derived from this objective than any other.

I feel that Elocution has been a great help to me, and I shall put what I have learned into practice, not only while I am in school, but for the rest of my life.—Evelyn Morse.

#### What Our Visitors Think of B. T. S.

I want to praise the Lord for saving my soul. I praise Him for the way He has blessed me, and the invitation He has given, "Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

I thank the Lord for the privilege He has given me to visit the Church of God Bible School. I think it is the most spiritual institution I have ever visited. I am glad that God has provided such a school as the B.T.S. for our boys and girls and to know that when they are here they are under good supervision. They have as their superiors a capable superintendent, Brother Tharp, an able principal, Brother R. R. Walker, and godly teachers filled with the Holy Ghost. They are able to teach the students God's Word in its fulness and as they study from day to day they are taught to rightly divide the Word of truth.

When students leave this school, they are trained "soldiers of the cross" and are able to go out into the world of sin to preach the gospel and take the glad mes-

sage to the lost.

I believe the school is the best place we can send our boys and girls, if we want them to be blessed, and to be a blessing to others. The deans, Brother Bell and Sister Holland, are very dear to all the boys and girls. They take the parents' place and their whole time is devoted to the interest of all.—Mrs. A. S. McKeough, Chickasaw, Ala.

Dear Evangel Readers:

On Feb. 23, I visited the Church of God Bible Training School; it was indeed a glorious visit. I enjoyed being there and seeing the bright faces of the students. I think the Bible School is the best place this side of heaven. Everyone looked so happy; they were enjoying the blessings of God. The Bible School is a wonderful place to send our children for training. I'm so glad we can send them where they will be under good teachers who are Spirit-filled and who have the guidance of God. I'd rather my children be in the Church of God Bible Training School than anywhere else I know. I try to pray in my weak way for the school that it will prosper and be a blessing to everyone that attends.—Sister Lone Erwin, Rt. 2, Adairsville, Ga.

Dear Evangel Reader:

As I sit here tonight in the girls' dormitory at B.T.S., thinking over what I have seen and heard in Bible School today, I want to offer a few words of praise in behalf of this school. It is such a wonderful place! I don't know of another one just like it anywhere. I cannot find words to express my appreciation to all the faculty for the tender care they are taking of our children. Surely there isn't a better place this side of heaven. God has given us this school of protection for our children, where they may be taught and instructed in the way of righteousness. Their minds are so trained that they will be better able to overcome the evils

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The second scripture referred to is Matt. 24:35, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." To say that this meant that the earth would come to an end would also mean that heaven will come to an end and that heaven is eternal; but no such suggestion is made, the reference is to the time when the heaven and the earth shall be renovated, and is parallel with the scripture in 2 Peter 3:10, 11, "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness." But this scripture does not by any means convey the idea that there will be no more heavens and no more earth, but there will be a new heaven and a new earth, that is, the old heaven and earth will be purged, renovated, or changed, but will continue after they have been made a fit place for the kingdom of God. Verse 13 of the same chapter reads, "Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." Matt. 28:20, "Teaching them to observe

all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world," does not mean the earth but to the end of the age, the age in which He had called them to preach the gospel or through their entire ministry. Rev. 20:11 and Rev. 21:1 are repetitions of Peter's prediction of the renovation of the earth, out of which shall come a new earth. Just how God can completely renovate the earth without removing the inhabitants thereof, is in His own hands, but He is abundantly able.

**Question:** Please explain Isa. 35:8. Explain the difference between an highway and a way.—J. B. D.

**Answer:** It might be well for us to notice the entire verse. "And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein." If this is read carefully, it will be noticed that two ways are not referred to and that the highway and the way both refer to the self-same thing. Describing it, the prophet says, "it shall be called The way of holiness," not the ways of holiness. Then again, the word "it" is used referring to the quotation which evidently shows that it cannot be two ways.

**Question:** Please explain Judges 9:13; also Psa. 104:15.—B. E.

**Answer:** Judges 9:13 is the reply of the vine in a parabolic fable given by Jotham to show the predicament that Israel had gotten herself into by accepting Abimelech as king. The vine makes the plea that she has too many things to do to accept the kingship, as did also the fig tree and the olive tree. This was given to show that true leadership is not that which has a spirit of leadership and which is to place itself in prominence, but is rather retiring and reserved and usually has to be drafted to service. While on the other hand, those of the bramble type which are not worthy of leadership, try to push themselves into the place. The question of whether or not it was right to drink wine was not considered in the context.

The other scripture referred to is in Psa. 104:15, where the psalmist David is enumerating the blessings of God. In the Old Testament drunkenness or excess of wine is condemned, rather than the use of wine, and it seems that most of the people used it as a beverage, as one uses tea, coffee, and postum in these days; but intemperance and drunkenness are thoroughly condemned both in the Old and New Testaments. Paul told the Ephesian brethren in his epistle, Eph. 5:18, "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit."

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## Delkograms

By D. H. DELK

### Golden Text For Lesson 10

Matt. 5:11.

Blessed are the persecuted (those who are hard pressed, pursued, criticized, slandered, etc.), if it's for Christ's sake; but let us not suffer as a busybody (an inspector of others). Let's not forget our own failings, etc., and go about too much correcting others. I saw this little prayer that has helped me, "O Lord, help me to keep my nose out of other people's business."

Persecution (that will pay us) comes only to Christlike folks. It is said that Jesus told His disciples one day, "The nearer to me you get, the nearer to the fire." That's true. You get near the fire of persecution. "If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you." Persecution will surely come. About the time you expect a rose, you are likely to get a thorn.

I fear too many of us are ipso-facto (lacking in faith). A Methodist pastor made this complaint to a missionary in Japan: he said, "The Lord must not count us worthy to suffer persecution, for they have thirty-seven Presbyterians in jail, and only one Methodist." We must be ipso-facto.

A man once tried to persuade his son to keep out of politics, telling him he would be slandered, etc. He says, "They will even say you have stolen sheep." But his son refused to listen to his dad, saying, "People know my reputation is good." After the election was over he came to his dad and said, "Dad, I should have listened to you; they didn't only tell I stole sheep, they proved it on me."

Get into faith and you get into persecution. Persecution in this life often does what the last great day will do—separate the wheat from the chaff. (Milner)

While you are living, saint (a saint), you will be persecuted; when you die you will be praised. You will get that rose then, even if you cannot smell it.

A certain amount of persecution does us good. It stirs us up for a good fight of faith. It arouses our defiance and renders us fifty times stronger, for God is with those who will resist the devil.

Once an old preacher was jailed, fined, etc. The old judge looked at him one day and said, "You see my finger? As long as I can raise it I will put you down." Then the old preacher said, "Yes, I see your finger. I also see an arm you don't see and as long as I see that arm you can not put me down."

"If God be for us who can be against us?"

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# Obituaries

## Another Warrior Fallen! Another Saint Secure!

Brother T. L. McLain, one of our aged ministers, has gone home to be with Jesus. He passed away 4:10 a. m., February 27. Brother McLain had been sick many months, and had suffered so patiently. For the last several days he lay in a coma, and it was believed his left side was paralyzed, but just before his last breath he opened his eyes, as if to catch a glimpse of the eternal, then with the last breath, the tired arms lying by his sides he raised and folded neatly across his chest and slipped away so easily.

There was such a heavenly spirit that filled the room to the last. Sister McLain, through tears, said, "Thank God, he will soon be home." Personally, I felt like singing. Among his last requests, when asked what he wanted, was a song, and surely the heavenly singers must have been close. How blessed it is to die in the Lord.

Brother McLain was one of the pioneer ministers in the Church of God, having served continuously for some thirty years. He was a blessed, good, upright man, and I understand was the second man selected on the Council of Twelve when it was first formed. He served as state overseer of a number of states. Many souls were led to Christ through his ministry, and he had a large number of friends everywhere.

The funeral services were conducted at the North Cleveland church, by Brother S. W. Latimer and the pastor, Rev. D. B. Yow.

This makes four of our aged ministers that have gone since the last Assembly,—Brothers Efford Haynes, M. A. Looney, Sister Rosa B. Murphy and Brother T. L. McLain. One by one they join the number, and who should desire their return, with world conditions as they are now?—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

## ALLEN

Sister Allen, a faithful member of the Church of God, departed this life Feb. 2, 1941, while on her way to church.—Thomas Jeff Dale, pastor.

## HESS

Rev. Henry L. Hess, bishop in the Church of God, departed this life Jan. 27, 1941, at the age of sixty-nine years.

He was a pioneer of the Full Gospel Faith, having received the baptism of the Holy Ghost early in the outpouring of the latter rain. He carried the gospel message in North and South Dakota, Idaho, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. About six years

ago he became a minister in the Church of God, in which he continued in active service until just a few days before his victorious death. His testimony had no note of doubt as to his future but a joyful anticipation of the beyond.

His faithful wife and coworker now pause amidst a throng of precious memories awaiting her delayed invitation.

## BREAHN

On Jan. 27, 1941, Brother Carl Breaahn departed this life to be with Jesus. He was sixty-five years of age and a faithful member of the Church of God for eighteen years.—R. D. Anderson, Monroe, La.

## BYERS

Sister Carrie M. Byers, a faithful member of the Church of God for twenty-four years, was born Aug. 26, 1894, and departed this life Feb. 2, 1941; age forty-six years, six months and thirteen days.—Her pastor, A. T. Little, Parkersburg, W. Va.

## PATTERSON

My father, Marsh Stump Patterson, Parkersburg, W. Va., departed this life Jan. 13, 1941. He had the victory and we know he has gone to rest.—Rev. M. W. Patterson, pastor at Sandyville, Ohio.

## HICKMAN

Brother Floyd Hickman, a member of the Church of God at Dunlap, Tenn., departed this life Jan. 12, 1941; age sixty-two years.—Vergil T. Kerley, clerk, Dunlap, Tenn.

## SIMS

Brother Thad Sims, a loyal member of the Church of God at Dunlap, Tenn., departed this life Jan. 29, 1941; age seventy-one years, nine months, and twenty-seven days.—Vergil T. Kerley, clerk, Dunlap, Tenn.

## DONALD

Rev. J. M. Donald, bishop in the Church of God, left us and went to be with Jesus, Jan. 31, 1941; age sixty-nine years.—His wife, Mrs. J. M. Donald, Seneca, S. C.

## GIBSON

Sister Helen Gibson, a member of the Church of God at Harlan, Ky., departed this life Dec. 23, 1940; age eighty-six years.—Her daughter, Martha Brunner, Livingston, Ky.

## FANNIN

Sister David Fannin, a faithful member of the Church of God at Smithers, W. Va., for more than twenty years, departed this life Jan. 10, 1941; age seventy-seven years, one month and seventeen

days.—Her pastor, J. A. Whitlow, Smithers, W. Va.

## ROBERSON

Sister Estelle Roberson, a faithful member of the Church of God at Olney, Tex., departed this life Jan. 22, 1941; age fifty-five years.—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crutcher and family, Olney, Tex.

## STALVEY

Brother B. F. Stalvey, clerk of the Church of God at Rising Fawn, Ga., departed this life Jan. 30, 1941.—A. H. Griffin.

## DEWITT

Mrs. Grace Dewitt, faithful member of the Church of God at Juniata, Pa., departed this life Feb. 7, 1941, age fifty-two years.—Her pastor, Sheridan McMasters, Juniata, Pa.

## LATTICE

Brother Herbert Lattice, a member of the Church of God at Blue Hills, Turk Island, B. W. I., departed this life Jan. 28, 1941.—Elder J. J. Frith, pastor, Blue Hills, Caicos, Turk Island, B. W. I.

## HARKINS

Brother Grant Harkins, a faithful member of the Church of God at Suches, Ga., was born Sept. 12, 1867, and departed this life Dec. 31, 1940; age seventy-three years, four months and eighteen days.—Mrs. Alice Harkins, Suches, Ga.

## DURR

Gerald Ray Durr, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Durr, was born Oct. 11, 1940, and died Nov. 24, 1940; age six weeks.—Ruby Helms, Isola, Miss.

## HELMS

Gwendolyn Obara Helms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Helms, departed this life Oct. 20, 1940; age seven months and sixteen days.—Ruby Helms, Isola, Miss.

## BELK

Brother J. Troy Belk, faithful member and clerk of the Church of God at Lando, S. C., went home to be with Jesus Jan. 26, 1941.—Ex-pastor of Lando, R. V. Dillingham.

## Has Second Anniversary

HARLAN, Ky.—The Church of God second anniversary here was a spiritual and financial success, honoring our pastor, Bishop Ed Johnson and companion. Many shouts of victory came down. We were blessed by the help of the Lord to raise \$127.00. Everyone was encouraged to go forward. It resulted in a spiritual revival. Souls are being saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Sister Celia Langford (colored), clerk.



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**Question:** In the Evangel of January 25, 1941, an editorial said there were no predictions in the Bible that the earth would come to an end. Please read Matt. 5:18; 24:35; 28:20; Rev. 20:11; Gal. 21:1, and explain.—W. D. N.

**Answer:** Since the statement referred to may be puzzling also to others, we are glad to make further explanation. Let us first quote Eccl. 1:4, "One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth abideth forever." This is a plain statement that everyone can understand, and this and other scriptures which set forth the same fact as strongly as does this one, must be reckoned with in any prediction that the earth will come to an end. Let us notice the scriptures referred to and see whether or not they set forth any such prediction. Matt. 5:18, "For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." A literal translation of this would be, "As long as the earth remains one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law till all be fulfilled." This is a firm, staunch statement to show that the law must remain in force until it was fulfilled, as strongly entrenched until that time as was the earth which abideth forever.

The second scripture referred to is Matt. 24:35, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." To say that this meant that the earth would come to an end would also mean that heaven will come to an end and that heaven is eternal; but no such suggestion is made, the reference is to the time when the heaven and the earth shall be renovated, and is parallel with the scripture in 2 Peter 3:10, 11, "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness." But this scripture does not by any means convey the idea that there will be no more heavens and no more earth, but there will be a new heaven and a new earth, that is, the old heaven and earth will be purged, renovated, or changed, but will continue after they have been made a fit place for the kingdom of God. Verse 13 of the same chapter reads, "Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." Matt. 28:20, "Teaching them to observe

all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world," does not mean the earth but to the end of the age, the age in which He had called them to preach the gospel or through their entire ministry. Rev. 20:11 and Rev. 21:1 are repetitions of Peter's prediction of the renovation of the earth, out of which shall come a new earth. Just how God can completely renovate the earth without removing the inhabitants thereof, is in His own hands, but He is abundantly able.

**Question:** Please explain Isa. 35:8. Explain the difference between an highway and a way.—J. B. D.

**Answer:** It might be well for us to notice the entire verse. "And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein." If this is read carefully, it will be noticed that two ways are not referred to and that the highway and the way both refer to the self-same thing. Describing it, the prophet says, "it shall be called The way of holiness," not the ways of holiness. Then again, the word "it" is used referring to the quotation which evidently shows that it cannot be two ways.

**Question:** Please explain Judges 9:13; also Psa. 104:15.—B. E.

**Answer:** Judges 9:13 is the reply of the vine in a parabolic fable given by Jotham to show the predicament that Israel had gotten herself into by accepting Abimelech as king. The vine makes the plea that she has too many things to do to accept the kingship, as did also the fig tree and the olive tree. This was given to show that true leadership is not that which has a spirit of leadership and which is to place itself in prominence, but is rather retiring and reserved and usually has to be drafted to service. While on the other hand, those of the bramble type which are not worthy of leadership, try to push themselves into the place. The question of whether or not it was right to drink wine was not considered in the context.

The other scripture referred to is in Psa. 104:15, where the psalmist David is enumerating the blessings of God. In the Old Testament drunkenness or excess of wine is condemned, rather than the use of wine, and it seems that most of the people used it as a beverage, as one uses tea, coffee, and postum in these days; but intemperance and drunkenness are thoroughly condemned both in the Old and New Testaments. Paul told the Ephesian brethren in his epistle, Eph. 5:18, "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit."

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## Delkograms

By D. H. DELK

### Golden Text For Lesson 10

Matt. 5:11.

Blessed are the persecuted (those who are hard pressed, pursued, criticized, slandered, etc.), if it's for Christ's sake; but let us not suffer as a busybody (an inspec-tor of others). Let's not forget our own failings, etc., and go about too much correcting others. I saw this little prayer that has helped me, "O Lord, help me to keep my nose out of other people's business."

Persecution (that will pay us) comes only to Christlike folks. It is said that Jesus told His disciples one day, "The nearer to me you get, the nearer to the fire." That's true. You get near the fire of persecution. "If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you." Persecution will surely come. About the time you expect a rose, you are likely to get a thorn.

I fear too many of us are ipso-facto (lacking in faith). A Methodist pastor made this complaint to a missionary in Japan: he said, "The Lord must not count us worthy to suffer persecution, for they have thirty-seven Presbyterians in jail, and only one Methodist." We must be ipso-facto.

A man once tried to persuade his son to keep out of politics, telling him he would be slandered, etc. He says, "They will even say you have stolen sheep." But his son refused to listen to his dad, saying, "People know my reputation is good." After the election was over he came to his dad and said, "Dad, I should have listened to you; they didn't only tell I stole sheep, they proved it on me."

Get into faith and you get into persecution. Persecution in this life often does what the last great day will do—separate the wheat from the chaff. (Milner)

While you are living, saint (a saint), you will be persecuted; when you die you will be praised. You will get that rose then, even if you cannot smell it.

A certain amount of persecution does us good. It stirs us up for a good fight of faith. It arouses our defiance and renders us fifty times stronger, for God is with those who will resist the devil.

Once an old preacher was jailed, fined, etc. The old judge looked at him one day and said, "You see my finger? As long as I can raise it I will put you down." Then the old preacher said, "Yes, I see your finger. I also see an arm you don't see and as long as I see that arm you can not put me down."

"If God be for us who can be against us?"

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# Obituaries

## Another Warrior Fallen! Another Saint Secure!

Brother T. L. McLain, one of our aged ministers, has gone home to be with Jesus. He passed away 4:10 a. m., February 27. Brother McLain had been sick many months, and had suffered so patiently. For the last several days he lay in a coma, and it was believed his left side was paralyzed, but just before his last breath he opened his eyes, as if to catch a glimpse of the eternal, then with the last breath, the tired arms lying by his sides he raised and folded neatly across his chest and slipped away so easily.

There was such a heavenly spirit that filled the room to the last. Sister McLain, through tears, said, "Thank God, he will soon be home." Personally, I felt like singing. Among his last requests, when asked what he wanted, was a song, and surely the heavenly singers must have been close. How blessed it is to die in the Lord.

Brother McLain was one of the pioneer ministers in the Church of God, having served continuously for some thirty years. He was a blessed, good, upright man, and I understand was the second man selected on the Council of Twelve when it was first formed. He served as state overseer of a number of states. Many souls were led to Christ through his ministry, and he had a large number of friends everywhere.

The funeral services were conducted at the North Cleveland church, by Brother S. W. Latimer and the pastor, Rev. D. B. Yow.

This makes four of our aged ministers that have gone since the last Assembly,—Brothers Efford Haynes, M. A. Looney, Sister Rosa B. Murphy and Brother T. L. McLain. One by one they join the number, and who should desire their return, with world conditions as they are now?—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

## ALLEN

Sister Allen, a faithful member of the Church of God, departed this life Feb. 2, 1941, while on her way to church.—Thomas Jeff Dale, pastor.

## HESS

Rev. Henry L. Hess, bishop in the Church of God, departed this life Jan. 27, 1941, at the age of sixty-nine years.

He was a pioneer of the Full Gospel Faith, having received the baptism of the Holy Ghost early in the outpouring of the latter rain. He carried the gospel message in North and South Dakota, Idaho, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. About six years

ago he became a minister in the Church of God, in which he continued in active service until just a few days before his victorious death. His testimony had no note of doubt as to his future but a joyful anticipation of the beyond.

His faithful wife and coworker now pause amidst a throng of precious memories awaiting her delayed invitation.

## BREAHN

On Jan. 27, 1941, Brother Carl Breaahn departed this life to be with Jesus. He was sixty-five years of age and a faithful member of the Church of God for eighteen years.—R. D. Anderson, Monroe, La.

## BYERS

Sister Carrie M. Byers, a faithful member of the Church of God for twenty-four years, was born Aug. 26, 1894, and departed this life Feb. 2, 1941; age forty-six years, six months and thirteen days.—Her pastor, A. T. Little, Parkersburg, W. Va.

## PATTERSON

My father, Marsh Stump Patterson, Parkersburg, W. Va., departed this life Jan. 13, 1941. He had the victory and we know he has gone to rest.—Rev. M. W. Patterson, pastor at Sandyville, Ohio.

## HICKMAN

Brother Floyd Hickman, a member of the Church of God at Dunlap, Tenn., departed this life Jan. 12, 1941; age sixty-two years.—Vergil T. Kerley, clerk, Dunlap, Tenn.

## SIMS

Brother Thad Sims, a loyal member of the Church of God at Dunlap, Tenn., departed this life Jan. 29, 1941; age seventy-one years, nine months, and twenty-seven days.—Vergil T. Kerley, clerk, Dunlap, Tenn.

## DONALD

Rev. J. M. Donald, bishop in the Church of God, left us and went to be with Jesus, Jan. 31, 1941; age sixty-nine years.—His wife, Mrs. J. M. Donald, Seneca, S. C.

## GIBSON

Sister Helen Gibson, a member of the Church of God at Harlan, Ky., departed this life Dec. 23, 1940; age eighty-six years.—Her daughter, Martha Brunner, Livingston, Ky.

## FANNIN

Sister David Fannin, a faithful member of the Church of God at Smithers, W. Va., for more than twenty years, departed this life Jan. 10, 1941; age seventy-seven years, one month and seventeen

days.—Her pastor, J. A. Whitlow, Smithers, W. Va.

## ROBERSON

Sister Estelle Roberson, a faithful member of the Church of God at Olney, Tex., departed this life Jan. 22, 1941; age fifty-five years.—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crutcher and family, Olney, Tex.

## STALVEY

Brother B. F. Stalvey, clerk of the Church of God at Rising Fawn, Ga., departed this life Jan. 30, 1941.—A. H. Griffin.

## DEWITT

Mrs. Grace Dewitt, faithful member of the Church of God at Juniata, Pa., departed this life Feb. 7, 1941, age fifty-two years.—Her pastor, Sheridan McMasters, Juniata, Pa.

## LATTICE

Brother Herbert Lattice, a member of the Church of God at Blue Hills, Turk Island, B. W. I., departed this life Jan. 28, 1941.—Elder J. J. Frith, pastor, Blue Hills, Caicos, Turk Island, B. W. I.

## HARKINS

Brother Grant Harkins, a faithful member of the Church of God at Suches, Ga., was born Sept. 12, 1867, and departed this life Dec. 31, 1940; age seventy-three years, four months and eighteen days.—Mrs. Alice Harkins, Suches, Ga.

## DURR

Gerald Ray Durr, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Durr, was born Oct. 11, 1940, and died Nov. 24, 1940; age six weeks.—Ruby Helms, Isola, Miss.

## HELMS

Gwendolyn Obara Helms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Helms, departed this life Oct. 20, 1940; age seven months and sixteen days.—Ruby Helms, Isola, Miss.

## BELK

Brother J. Troy Belk, faithful member and clerk of the Church of God at Lando, S. C., went home to be with Jesus Jan. 26, 1941.—Ex-pastor of Lando, R. V. Dillingham.

## Has Second Anniversary

HARLAN, Ky.—The Church of God second anniversary here was a spiritual and financial success, honoring our pastor, Bishop Ed Johnson and companion. Many shouts of victory came down. We were blessed by the help of the Lord to raise \$127.00. Everyone was encouraged to go forward. It resulted in a spiritual revival. Souls are being saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Sister Celia Langford (colored), clerk.

# Reports From the Field

## Fellowship Meeting Held at Perry Church

PERRY, Okla.—A fellowship meeting was held at Perry Church January 19, with a good representation from the following churches: Enid, Anadarko, Billings, Guthrie, Pawnee, Redrock, and Drumright. There was wonderful fellowship throughout the day. Lunch was served at 1:30 p. m. Afternoon services began with good spiritual singing and zeal to go forward for Christ.

A mission offering was taken with everyone responding nicely. We also have our aged ministers' quota paid. Rev. W. T. Dodson is our pastor, for which we are very thankful. We have six additions to the church this year.—Mrs. Hattie Smith.

## God Blessing in a Marvelous Way

NEW CASTLE, Ind.—We are again coming to you Evangel readers with a few words of praise to our God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are feeling that glorious blessing.

We just closed a good revival at our little new church at Muncie, for which I praise God. There were five saved, some reclaimed, three added to the church and one more came in the night after we closed. Thank God for the little church at Muncie. They have a fine pastor, Brother J. Conway.

We were called to visit Fort Wayne and found the church on fire. I gave the privilege for membership and one came in the church there.

I am now in a meeting at New Castle where I am pastoring. God is blessing in a wonderful way. There were nine in the altar last night and one or two were saved. We are looking for Sister Salor of Kentucky to come finish the revival.

Just a few lines to remind the people on the New Castle district that the district convention which was announced to convene at Fort Wayne has been changed. It is to be at New Castle April 4-6. All the churches on this district are asked to please begin to make ready. Have a good mission offering. It will be at 1327 North Ave., New Castle.—G. F. Crank, district pastor.

## Loves the Church of God

SHELBY, N. C.—I truly praise the Lord for victory in my soul. I am so glad He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I am so thankful that I learned about this good holiness way and the Church of God. I love the Church and I want to see it go forward everywhere. The Lord is blessing the Church here. People are getting saved,

sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Four young girls were filled with the Holy Ghost in our young people's service Saturday night. We are proud of our pastor and his good wife, Brother and Sister Darnell; they are real workers for God and His Church.—Miss Elora Kennedy.

## Old Time Victory in Chicago

CHICAGO, Ill.—I feel it would be

interesting to let you know how we are progressing here in this large city. Speaking for the church, as well as myself, I can truly say that we have the old time victory. Praise the Lord.

Even though the world is shrouded in darkness and turmoil, yet we feel like pressing ahead. And why? Because the Lord has blessed us so wonderfully by giving us our good state overseer, Rev. H. O. Harris, and his wife, who in turn has given us our dear pastor, Rev. Burns M. White, and his wife, and Brother Oran White and wife. They certainly are Church of God workers.

We have never seen nor had such unity in the church, and where there is unity there is strength. We are few in

## HEPHIBAH RESCUE HOME Tampa, Florida



Flora E. (Bower) Trim was superintendent of this thirteen-room institution for fallen girls for eight years. It was while she was in this position that she received the baptism with the Holy Ghost, in 1907. She was an ordained elder with the Union Mission Association of St. Louis, Missouri, but became a charter member of the Church of God, Tampa, Florida.



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number, but we will not be defeated by the enemy. We intend to go over the top in every respect. We want Chicago to see a real Church of God.

Brother Harris is very encouraging to us and we all feel better because of his visits, which we wish would be oftener, and the message that Brother White has preached since being here have certainly stirred our souls and put meat on these old dry bones. Brethren, we have started to walk. We soon will be running, and then watch out! Don't try to stop us, just try to catch us. I request prayer for my wife's health.—Fred Hasten, clerk of Church of God at 3066 5th Ave.

### Working Together in Prayer

SPARTA, Tenn.—We thank and praise the Lord for all the blessings He is sending our way. The Lord is blessing our work here. We have an L. W. W. B. and all work together in much prayer that the Lord's will will be done in our lives.

Our Sunday School is growing and the Lord is blessing in it. We thank the Lord for our pastor, Brother E. Bennett; he is a blessing to all of us. We are thankful for a place to worship and want all to pray that the Lord will give us a new building soon.—Members of the Church of God at Sparta.

### God Never Fails

BRISTOL, Fla.—Dear Evangel Readers one and all, I am writing because I promised the Lord I would testify to His great healing power about two weeks ago. I had a severe cold and cough. Oh, I just coughed day and night, couldn't sleep. I said, "Lord, if you will heal this cough I have I will testify to your great healing power." He so wonderfully touched my body. I just fell asleep in just a few minutes and slept all night. Thanks be to my God. I have rheumatism and other ailments but I know God is able and willing to heal me, if it is His will to do so. I want all my brothers and sisters in Christ to pray for me. I believe if I could go to some good old Church of God church and let them pray for me, I would be healed. My family has been healed so many times. My married daughter suffered all night with earache about a week ago. About three o'clock she sent for us to go to pray for her. When all remedies failed, God came down and healed her in three minutes and she has been well since.

Please pray that we will ever stand true and be ready when He comes or calls.—Mrs. D. M. Griffin.

We must do what we do as we go, as time will not permit us to stop on our march to eternity.

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## SPECIAL WIRE FROM NORTH CAROLINA

Two wonderful conventions just closed. \$402.73 given for missions: Erwin district, \$102.28; Gastonia district, \$300.45. While taking the offering at Gastonia a girl brought up her watch which cost \$38.50, said she had paid \$10.50 on it and, "I want to give this in the offering. If anyone will give me \$10.50 for the watch, they may have it." A man stood up and said, "I will buy it." Another sister came over then and gave her watch to that sister. Then the man that bought the watch gave it back to the girl. Consequently both watches returned to their owner. My, the mission tide is high in North Carolina! —Earl P. Paulk, state overseer.

## EDITORIALS

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in Florida with the World-Wide Mission Band, and became quite well acquainted with him, though the editor was then just a boy. The following year Brother McLain became overseer of the State of Florida, where even a better acquaintance was formed. Through the years the association and fellowship has been very pleasant.

One by one these old veterans of the Church of God are crossing the bar. They have seen the organization that they helped to establish grow to the enormous proportions of today. With their passing away we must realize that death is still in the land and that God will have someone to carry on His Church as these pass away. We are here today and, as a leaf, tomorrow we are gone, so let us all stand in readiness for the call which will come to each of us to give an account of our stewardship.

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## Down Mexico Way With the Archers

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raisers behind. Their little grass huts dotted the mountainsides in groups the entire route, and little fields of corn, cultivated with oxen or burrow, and crude stick plows. And far off on higher, cold mountain peaks, other smoke reveals other villages, and yellow patches of corn can be seen. This is the life of the nation. The corn is eaten whole or ground into meal from which the tough, pancakelike tortilla is made.

As a result of our early start we were rolling through the wheat fields fifty miles north of Mexico by noon, travel-weary, hungry and wondering how we would find Brother Ruesga in a large city of strange people. Suddenly a carload of Mexicans, approaching from Mexico City, began to honk and wave frantically. As we whizzed by we wondered what was wrong, or were they drunk. Someone said it was Brother Ruesga, but we protested that Brother Ruesga would not drive clear out there to meet us. The car was turning round and we pulled up to a slow pace. Sure enough, it was Brother Ruesga, part of his family, and one of the officials of his church, Brother Alcazar, who owns the largest funeral home in the city. They had received our telegram the day before and were driving out to welcome us to Mexico. It was one of the happiest experiences of our lives, strangers in a strange land, launching into a new and strange work, to be greeted at the border of our new adventure in such a warm fashion. It made us to think upon the loved ones in glory who will meet us at the outskirts of the heavenly city and usher us into the eternal new home.

A month and a half has passed and we are busily engaged in the Bible School, training workers to go out all over Mexico, perhaps into many of the very villages we passed through and prayed for. As time permits, we wish to write and tell you about the pyramids of Mexico (old as Egypt's), the great temple ruins of an extinct tribe with their twelve thrones mysteriously representing the twelve tribes of Israel, our visit to distant churches of Brother Ruesga's work, where Americans had never before been, etc.

### The Church Sealed

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heated love and self-sacrifice, the passion for souls, whole-hearted separation from the world, the pilgrim character and panting for the coming of Jesus, the spirit of prayer and intercession, love for and illumination of the Word of God, power to witness for Christ, boldness to face opposition in His name, a continuous life of worship and praise that gladdens the daily task and is like a continual feast, making

the Christian's work and service a joy instead of a duty, all these and more result from the full Pentecostal Baptism.

God has promised the Holy Ghost to all them that obey Him. Jesus said, "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" Luke 11:1-13. Have you prayed through until the well of everlasting life is springing up in your soul and bubbling over? Pray through to God until the life of Jesus will radiate from your being. Pray through until the well of divine life is turned into streams of living water in the baptism of the Spirit; streams of love, streams of joy, streams of peace, streams of faith, flow out from your innermost being. John 4:14; 7:37-39.

In closing, I am reminded of a story I read years ago. A colored slave was weeping when his master came to him and said, "Why are you crying, Rastus?" "Oh," replied the slave, "I was just thinking, if the crumbs from the Massa's table taste so wonderful, what will a slice from off the loaf taste like when I get to heaben?" If the joy of salvation, the rapturous glory of the more abundant life through the Spirit, is so wonderful now, what will it be like when we come into the possession of our inheritance? No wonder the prophet Malachi described it as stall fed calves let lose into green pastures.

How wonderful! the Church chosen from before the foundation of the world, redeemed from sin through Calvary, sealed with the Holy Spirit, the earnest of an inheritance, incorruptible and that fadeth not away, to be received on the day of redemption, when Jesus returns to earth again.

### Notes From My Letters

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closed a three weeks' revival at Greenwich, Pennsylvania, in which six were saved, four sanctified, and two filled with the Holy Ghost. We visited them a few evenings later and four of them received the Holy Ghost on Friday evening, January 31. We organized a Y. P. E. there with forty-two on roll. We are expecting to organize a Sunday School soon. Prospects look good for a new church. Pray to this end.—Rev. D. W. Coker."

May God continue to help the people in Pennsylvania.

### Good News From J. H. Daniels, Dist. Pastor

"Greetings in Jesus' name. I have just been over the district and am now at Alarka. Everything looks good here. The church is over the top with their quota, their dollar per member for missions, their 10 cents per member for the aged minis-

ters' fund, and their Evangel subscriptions. They have even paid their 1 per cent per member for the entire year in advance for the Y. P. E. president, and they say if they have new members come into the church, they will pay their 1 per cent per member also. They are up on their 5 per cent for missions. We praise the Lord for the Alarka pastor—Brother Enoch Jamison—and for its being the first church on the Hayesville district to go over the top. Pray for us.—Rev. J. H. Daniels, Alarka, N. C."

### More Good News From From Georgia

I am in receipt of a check this morning for \$416.76 for missions. Of this amount \$302.50 is from the Atlanta district convention. This is our half of the missions, the other half remains in the state. This Atlanta district convention offering is the largest we have ever had. Incidentally they accidentally broke the record for orphanage offerings in district conventions by sending in \$102. We believe, however, this record will not remain long unbroken, for more news is coming in, and I shouldn't wonder if it is broken immediately.

### Good News From Illinois S. S. and Y. P. E. Supt.

"Our Sunday Schools exceed our churches—thirty-eight Sunday Schools with thirty-seven churches. We also have the largest orphanage offering this month we have had in several years. We award the banner according to the orphanage offering as well as the attendance. We are proud of our report this month. We are going to have a better one next month. Carmi has the state record for conversions this year. Twenty have been saved there. Brother J. L. Summer is pastor.—Leonard Newton."

May the Lord bless you, Brother Newton, in your work there. Remember we are praying for you.

### Good News From Illinois

"We are over the top with our aged ministers' 10c per member, and the work in general is getting along nicely throughout the state. Remember to pray for the work in Illinois.—Sincerely yours, H. O. Harris."

### Good Report From Ohio

"Dear Brother Walker, just a few words to report that the four weeks' revival came to close Sunday night, February 2. Rev. Thad Puckett, of Toledo, Ohio, was the evangelist. There were twenty-seven saved, fourteen sanctified, eighteen filled with the Holy Ghost, eight baptized in water, and fourteen added to

the Church. It was the best revival that the Marietta church has had for more than eighteen years. God is still blessing. Please pray for us.—Faithfully, W. L. Pate, pastor."

May the dear Lord give us many, many good revivals everywhere.

## Good Revivals in N. Mex.

*Sedan*—Thirteen saved, four sanctified. The church is encouraged to go on.

*Clayton*—Four saved, two filled with the Holy Ghost.

*Hot Springs* — Fifteen saved, church built up on the firing line. May God continue to bless the people in the West.

## LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

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ciently our battle for us, thereby saving us the necessity of going to war.

One rather startling thing in recent weeks is the close alliance between Wendell Willkie and President Roosevelt. No man can question the sincerity and earnestness of either of these able and eminent men. The strange feature is that just a few weeks ago, Mr. Willkie was painting a very bleak and despairing picture should Mr. Roosevelt be re-elected. The same may be said of Secretaries Knox and Stimson. These things are highly significant and fill their place in prophecy.

## THE TRUMPETER

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which fill the world today. The Word of God is being carefully taught and put into practice here before them. If they should fail to make good out in the future for the Lord, it will not be because they haven't been taught and instructed right.

Another thing I love about the school is the restriction and watchcare they keep over our children. I have always been so careful about where my children are, who they are with, and what they are engaged in. Here I find that they have all this protection in such a good way that I can go home and rest as contentedly as if they were at home with me. We parents in the Church of God should take advantage of the wonderful opportunity to send our children to B.T.S. even if we have to deny ourselves. In the end we shall be more than repaid by the blessing it will bring to the lives of our children. I am sure that if all the parents would come to visit the school for a few days, and see how God sets His approval upon it, the dormitories would have to be enlarged next year. I just wish it were possible for all our people to send their boys and girls to school here. If they cannot come, however, please pray for ours that they will be a blessing to your children when they leave B.T.S.—A sister in Christ and a friend to the B.T.S., Mrs. Callie Winegar, Bastian, Virginia.

## REQUESTS

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Me to be healed of heart and kidney trouble.—W. M. Pulliam, Narrows, Ky.

The healing of my infant son.—Mrs. Roland Gordon, Caroleen, N. C.

The healing of my body, my lungs are affected and I am able to be up only a few minutes at a time.—Mrs. Claude Winters, 1117 S. Granger St., Harrisburg, Ill.

The healing of Mrs. J. W. Austin's head and body, she has suffered very much. Her address is 215 Foy Ave., Lexington, N. C. The healing of Mrs. R. Frank Wicks, Rt. 5, Box 207, Lexington, N. C.—Mrs. Lula Leonard, 301 Salem St., Lexington, N. C.

The healing of Brother J. C. Hanna who is very ill in the Meridian, Miss., hospital; the healing of Sister Taylor; the healing of Sister Carpenter's little girl who is in the hospital at Yazoo City, Miss.—Rev. A. B. Everett, Grady Ave., Box 168, Yazoo City, Miss.

My sister's hands to be healed of eczema; my baby to be healed; a young lady who has T.B. to be healed; the doctors have given her up and she is unsaved.—Mrs. P. R. Walker, Rt. 1, Box 58-A, Mt. Union, Pa.

Brother and Sister Godfrey's health to be restored, she has pneumonia, also is bothered with chronic appendicitis; my body; my family; my brother who is afflicted to be healed.—Margie Leach, Rt. 1, Maynard, Ark.

Sister Ollie Sue Johnson, 2522 Maple St., Little Rock, Ark., who has been seriously ill about six weeks, to be healed.—Ruff Gentry, Prim, Ark.

God to help us in securing another parsonage and church building, our others were destroyed by fire. Also our pastor that he may be supplied with clothing and household goods which were destroyed in the fire.—Lena McGowen, Rt. 2, Oak Grove, La.

Two unspoken requests.—Juanita Roberts, Rt. 2, Box 247, Jacksonville, Fla.

The healing of my husband's body; me to be healed of something like neuritis in my right shoulder.—Mrs. Eunice Sellers, 10 2nd Ave., Anderson, S. C.

Important unspoken request. — Sister Pearl Mullins, Jasper, Ala.

My mother ninety-six years old to be saved and healed; several of us to receive the Baptism.—Harvey Morrison, Rockwood, Pa.

Me to be healed of heart and kidney

trouble.—W. M. Pulliam, Narrows, Ky.

The healing of infant son.—Mrs. Roland Gordon, Caroleen, N. C.

The healing of my body of the flu; the healing of my husband of a bad throat trouble.—Mrs. L. F. Johnson, 38 Hubbard St., Greensboro, N. C.

## QUESTION BOX

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In this a strong line is drawn between being given to the influence of drink and given to the influence of the Holy Spirit, an experience which every child of God should strive for.

## DELKOGRAMS

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"Who or what shall separate," etc. Read Rom. 8:31-39.

If you are about to faint in your minds (think you have stood all the persecution you can) then use your mind to think on Christ's suffering. See Heb. 12:3, 4.

There are seven steps up the mountain to the valley of persecution (which is on top).

First: Blessed are the poor in spirit (humble).

Second: Blessed are they that mourn.

Third: Blessed are the meek.

Fourth: Blessed are they that hunger, etc.

Fifth: Blessed are the merciful.

Sixth: Blessed are the pure in heart.

Seventh: Blessed are the peacemakers, which puts us up on top, into the valley of persecution. There's where contrary winds can blow hard, and the devil can get a good shot at those up there; they are very conspicuous. As long as we are near the bottom and willing to stay there, we will not get so much opposition and persecution, but start up—that's different. That takes grit, grace, greenbacks, etc.

But mountain climbing is the best exercise your writer ever took. I was once assigned two churches, Barnardsville and Paint Fork, the latter being nearly three miles across a mountain. I was told by some that I just could not walk over to pastor. But by grit, grace, prayer and its answer, I began walking over, and it was good for me. My health got better. I could soon eat hearty and digest my food. I could soon walk over and back and exhort three times a day. Praise God and bless His name for the memory of such days, and the good people at Barnardsville and Paint Fork.

When you climb this mountain in Matt. 5:2-9, your spiritual appetite will increase; you will eat. (See verse 6.) You will eat God's Word, which will bring persecution (Mark 4:17), but you will resist the devil, for the Word will be like fire in your bones (Jer. 20:9), and you can not and will not compromise.



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